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PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE:	CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE COMMITTEE
DATE AND TIME:	Wednesday September 26, 2018 at 9:00 a.m.
PLACE:	Buena Vista Conference Center, 2nd Floor, 661 S. DuPont Highway, New Castle, Delaware 19720
APPROVED:	November 28, 2018

MEMBERS PRESENT

Joseph Parise, DO, Medical Representative
Danielle Downs, DVM, Veterinary Representative
Linda H. Ciavarelli, DPM, Podiatric Representative
Kirsten Opalach, PA-C, PA Representative
Herb E. Von Goerres, R.Ph., Pharmacy Representative

MEMBERS ABSENT

Michael Kremer, DMD, Dental Representative, President
Jo Ann M. Baker, DNP, RN, FNP-C, Nursing Representative
Mark Hanna, Public Representative
Alex Zarow, R.Ph., Pharmacy Representative

DIVISION STAFF/DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL

Geoff Christ, Executive Director Office Controlled Substance, Drug Administrator
Jason Slavoski, PharmD, Pharmacist Administrator (PMP)
Eileen Kelly, Deputy Attorney General
Jessica Mason, Administrative Specialist III
Michelle McCreary, R.Ph., Pharmacist Compliance Officer

ALSO PRESENT

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Von Goerres called the meeting to order at 9:08 am.

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Mr. Von Goerres, seconded by Dr. Parise, to approve with corrections, the minutes for May 23, 2018. The motion unanimously carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

President's Report

No Report

NEW BUSINESS

Director's Report

Mr. Christ introduced Ms. Mason as the new Administrative Specialist for the Board. He reported that SB225 passed which lifts numerical limits on Chiropractic and Physical Therapy care to encourage patients to use alternatives to opioid treatment. It also added CE requirements for prescribers relative to opioid risks and alternatives to opioids.

HB331 – Passed – Regulates use, distribution and education of Benzodiazepine. Including minor's need informed consent.

HB440 – Passed – Establishes overdose system of care to improve care, treatment, and survival of overdose patients. Delaware is the first state to introduce an overdose system of care.

SB206 – Passed – Allows sharing of data relating to overdose from EMS/OSE to PMP.

Mr. Christ reported that www.helpisherede.com website launched last month and is very informational/educational in regards to opioids used in pain management and offers resources for different practice areas. He stated that he is still active in the Addiction Action Committee and reported that they are about to launch Academic Detailing. Quality Insights is working to put into effect.

He reported that St. Francis is piloting an informed consent form for patients on long term opioids. If it works, there may be a push to issue said form in other practices. Dr. Parise stated that Bayhealth is also trying to incorporate said form.

Mr. Christ reported that DPR is currently three months into the build of the new licensure software. Mr. Christ and Mr. Slavoski have both helped in the translation of license applications/renewals to digital format, thus making the application/renewal processes more seamless and paperless. He informed that service requests will also be incorporated into the new system and the project is still ongoing.

Case/Diversion Review

No Report

Current Events

No Report

Prescription Monitoring Program (PMP) Review – Jason Slavoski

Mr. Slavoski reported that currently OCS is working on PMP user registration projects. From July to today, over one thousand prescribers are enrolled. A 33% increase between prescribers and their delegates. A 33% increase in PMP use by prescribers and their delegates has been seen between FY17 and FY18. He stated that so far in 2018, prescriber delegates are the top users and consist of 43% of all searches. Pharmacists rank 23%, physicians at 19%, and nurse practitioners at 7%. He informed that there have been two rounds of prescriber reports issued, and several users did not feel as if their specialty comparison accurately reflected their self-identified specialty in certain situations. Appriss, in partnership with Delaware and several other states, conducted an analysis and implemented changes that will more accurately compare prescribers to others within their field and specialty. Appriss also instituted a more explicit user guide to explain prescriber reports in greater detail. Mr. Slavoski reported that the State offered grant funding for the Gateway licensing fees to the State's major health systems, but only Christiana, Bayhealth, and St. Francis applied for reimbursement.

He informed that the Delaware PMP is currently connected with 20 other states. PMP is working to bring Florida onboard, but has reported running into difficulties signing the MOU with NABP.

PROPOSED REGULATION CHANGES

Review of Regulation 4.1.2 and 4.1.3

Mr. Christ suggested with the signing of SB 225, it will change the statute for CE requirements for CSR, and would be best to hold off on submission of regulation change proposals. Mr. Christ and Ms. Kelly agreed that it would be best to submit all at once and wait until the proposal could be submitted as one package.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mr. Christ informed that he has reached out to DEA, but has not received response yet. He stated that he will be reaching out to Ms. Walker in regards to assistance with the Medical Examiner's report. Dr.

Parise suggested quarterly reports from DEA / ME / LE that will offer more insight and current data from the community to utilize for advisory purposes. Mr. Christ advised he could serve as point of contact for the Legislative and Regulatory reports as he is often at Legislative Hall for Division bills.

Medical Examiner's Report

No Report

DEA Report

No Report

Substance Abuse Report

No Report

Law Enforcement Report

No Report

Regulatory Committee Report

No Report

Legislative Committee Report

No Report

INSPECTION REPORT

Ms. McCreary provided the following report:

She is currently working on a few Controlled Substance violations in regular inspections.

1 – Diversion Report with a pharmacist she is actively working.

Continuing Education Review

No Report

COMMITTEE CORRESPONDENCE

None

OTHER BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD

Ms. Kelly informed that it is possible a Hearing Officer Recommendation will be presented in January. She advised committee to stay within the facts contained in the document and not to deliberate or speculate information outside of the record. She used the Sekyi Remand as an example of what happens when deliberations are not contained within facts only presented in the documentation.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

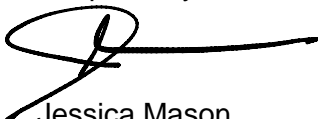
NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING

The next regular meeting will be held on November 28, 2018 at 9:00 am at the Buena Vista Conference Center, 2nd Floor, DuPont Room.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Mr. Von Goerres, seconded by Ms. Downs, to adjourn the meeting at 9:52 am. The motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,



Jessica Mason
Administrative Specialist III
Office of Controlled Substances